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MS PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: SOLID-STATE IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS WITH INFLUENCE OF SHADING
REDUCED AND A METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE SAME

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Twenty-seven (27) pages
- Eleven (11) sheet(s) formal drawings
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No. 2003-009778 filed in JAPAN on January 17, 2003.
 - Certified copy is attached hereto.
 - Certified copy(ies) will follow.
- Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)



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- An assignment of the invention
- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- Other:
- Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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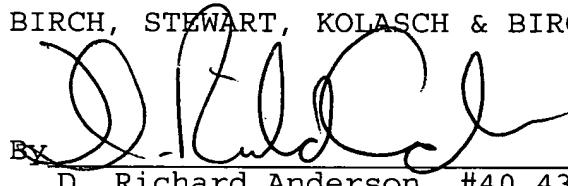
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